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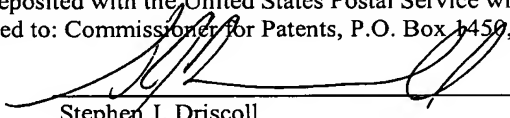
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 4, 2004**

Dear Sir:

This reply is being filed timely in response to the Office Action of June 4, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application. (September 4, 2004 was a Saturday and September 6, 2004 was a holiday).

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.